

Conservatives Plan New Church School

Plans for a new parochial school system in southwestern Michigan will be explained next Thursday at a meeting at Napier Parkview Baptist church, Fairplain.

The school, initiated by the Southwest Michigan Conservative Ministers Fellowship, is to be called Grace Christian school and is slated to open in fall, 1974, with grades K-9, according to the Rev. Harry Johnson of Sister Lakes church.

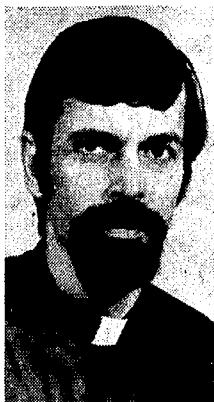
The ministerial fellowship, including 30 area churches and Christian ministries, is chaired by Rev. Johnson.

The school would run on a tuition basis and be owned and operated by a parents' school society through a nine-member board, Rev. Johnson said.

The tuition scale has not been set nor have officials yet sought state approval for the school, he said. But the school has a constitution and has filed for tax exemption and incorporation.

The site has not yet been picked, but officials prefer the Spinks Corners area and see the school serving a broad area in southwestern Michigan, he said.

Next Thursday's meeting will be a 6:30 p.m. banquet to which the public is invited.



REV. WILLIAM KOBZA
Intends To Marry

Catholic Priest Tells Plans For Marriage

The Rev. William P. Kobza, formerly based at St. John's Catholic church in Benton Harbor, said Thursday that he will leave the priesthood in order to marry.

"Unfortunately," he said, "the church doesn't allow any leeway about priests marrying." He said he willingly ac-

cepted the rule when he became a priest. "But that was 11 years ago," he said. The marriage means he will have to give up his role as a priest.

Fr. Kobza said he plans to marry Judy DeFrain, of 777 East Napier avenue, Benton township. No date has been set, he said. He added that he and

his wife plan to stay in the area following the marriage.

Tuesday it was reported in this newspaper that Fr. Kobza had been granted a leave of absence from active ministry as a priest.

He was assigned in September, 1972, to an inner-city ministry in Benton Harbor.

'EFFLUENT CLEANER THAN RIVER'

Sewage Really Being Cleaned Up

BY SCOTT WILLIAMSON
Staff Writer

Water discharged from the Twin Cities Sewage Disposal plant into the St. Joseph river will be cleaner than the water now flowing in the river.

City commissioners and officials from Benton Harbor and St. Joseph learned this yester-

day during a tour of the plant and its new addition.

"The final effluent (water) discharged from the plant will actually be cleaner," A.A. Antonovich, plant manager, said. "It will have less solids and the bacteria count will be lower."

"If you compared glasses of water from the discharge and

the river itself, the discharge would be clearer and cleaner," he said.

The plant, operated jointly by Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, is located on Radio Island in St. Joseph.

Although complete, the new portion of the plant is not yet 100 per cent operational, but should be in about eight weeks, according to Antonovich.

Construction began on the new \$5.5 million facility in May, 1971, and was financed by a 65 per cent federal and state grant and revenue bonds. The plant is now valued at about \$7.8 million, Antonovich said.

All sanitary sewage from residences, commercial establishments, and industries located in Benton Harbor, St. Joseph, and parts of Benton township are collected and conveyed to the plant by a system of sanitary sewers. St. Joseph and Lincoln townships soon will be served.

The new addition was provided to increase treatment capacity and upgrade treatment to comply with pollution control requirements.

The present facilities are designed to provide capacity for an average daily wastewater flow of 13.5 million gallons per day, with a maximum daily capacity of 19.5 million gallons a day.

Attending the luncheon and subsequent tour were Benton Harbor Commissioners Carl Brown, Daniel Chapman, Edmund Eaman, Edward Merrill, and Charles Yarbrough. St. Joseph Commissioners attending included Warren Gast, Joseph Hanley, Mayor Franklin Smith, City Manager Leland

Hill, and Atty. A.G. Preston.

Some members of the board of commissioners for the plant were also on the tour. The board

consists of John W. Steffoff and Victor Palenski, of St. Joseph, Walter F. Newhouse and Leon P. Gideon, Benton Harbor, and

City Managers Hill and Charles Morrison of Benton Harbor.

Acting Superintendent for the plant is David Orlaske.



BLACK SURE IS BEAUTIFUL: Twenty year-old Annette Baskerville a medical secretary in Denver, turns many a head in her direction with her beauty and out-of-sight hairdo. The hair style is called "corn roll" and is fashionable today with the style originating from African tribes. Annette spends three hours in braiding her hair. The cone at back is attached. (AP Wirephoto)

President Near Decision On Veep

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House inside reports indicate President Nixon has narrowed substantially the list of possible successors to Spiro T. Agnew as vice president. Announcement of his choice could come over the weekend. John B. Connally, Ronald Reagan and Nelson Rockefeller rank high on the list but there are signs the President is considering a surprise choice. A majority vote of both the Senate and House is necessary for confirmation.

Dairy By-Product Prices Going Up Too

DETROIT (AP) — Cottage cheese prices are going up along with milk and a lot of dairy by-products, an industry spokesman said Thursday.

The retail prices of such products as sour cream, half and half, ice cream, yogurt, and dips also are expected to rise, said J.E. Stedman, an official of the Food Industry Council of the Detroit Chamber of Commerce.

He said the increase follows a directive from the U.S. Department of Agriculture requiring a cost increase be paid to Michigan dairy farmers for milk used to produce by-products.

Dairies will pass along the price increases to retailers on Oct. 15, Stedman said. The new increase will be in addition to a previously announced three-cent price hike for a quart of milk, he said.

Wrong Army

TEL AVIV (AP) — The Israeli state radio claimed today that an Egyptian armored troop carrier got lost in the Sinai Desert during the night and joined up by mistake with an Israeli tank column.

The Israelis noticed their line had one vehicle too many, realized what had happened and "finished off" the Egyptian carrier, the radio claimed.

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Van Buren Woman Wins State Honors

Welfare Worker Cited By Gov. Milliken

SOUTH HAVEN — Mrs. Marian Turner, of 326 Prospect street, South Haven, an employee of the Van Buren county social services department, has been selected as one of the state's six outstanding public employees for 1973.

The governor's commission on awards for distinguished public employees announced the winners today through the governor's office in Lansing.

Mrs. Turner, 65, has been employed by the Van Buren department for 30 years and is currently classified as a social services worker at the department's offices in Hartford. Her husband, James, is a retired South Haven city employee.

According to the commission Mrs. Turner in her 30 years demonstrated enthusiasm, devotion and sensitivity well above the normal in her work with people.

Mrs. Turner was recom-

mended for the honor by her department.

Winners of the awards will be honored Nov. 8 at an awards program in Lansing.

Selections by the commission are made from the 152,000 non-teaching employees across the state. Three employees of state government and three employees from local governmental units are eligible.

Competition is divided into three classifications based on annual income of the nominee. One category is for persons making more than \$20,000 yearly, while the second is for persons making \$13,000 to \$20,000 and the third, for persons making below \$13,000.

Winners besides Mrs. Turner were Mary L. Fitten, a counselor aid in Detroit; Arthur A. Mauk, state police chief photographer; Joseph W. Moran, Holland recreation director and civic center manager; S. J. Gilman, superintendent of the corrections camp program for



MRS. MARIAN TURNER
Receives state award

the state's department of corrections; and Gerald J. Remus, chief of Detroit's Metro water department.

The awards program was launched in 1969 with formation of the awards commission by Gov. William Milliken. The commission is made up of six appointees with Robert E. Pickup, of Detroit, as chairman.

Thousands Flee Flooding In Kansas And Oklahoma

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

A winter-like snow storm hit the western Plains today and sent temperatures below freezing as far south as the Oklahoma Panhandle as rescue workers continued to cope with

heavy floods that pounced on the central Plains Wednesday and Thursday.

Four confirmed deaths at Enid, Okla., were reported as a result of the floods and thousands were reported

homeless in parts of Oklahoma and Kansas.

Hardest hit was Enid, where 16 inches of rain fell. A half-dozen communities in the area were inundated with all-time record rains. Thousands were

left homeless and at least 50 persons were still unaccounted for at Enid.

Goy. David Hall of Oklahoma asked President Richard Nixon to declare a five-county area in northern Oklahoma a disaster area. The damage estimate ranged anywhere from \$1 million to \$4 million.

Thousands fled their homes at Manhattan, El Dorado, Marysville, Kingman, Wolcott and Louisville, Kan., Thursday as swollen streams spilled over their banks.

About 500 persons fled their homes in DeWitt, Neb., as the Big Blue River went on a ram-

(See back page, sec. 1, col. 8)

Galien Resident Wins \$50,000

ADRIAN — Paul Stephens, 49, of 110 North Grant street, Galien was a \$50,000 winner in the state's weekly lottery super drawing held here yesterday.

He was one of two southwestern Michigan residents to walk away with cash. Mrs. Lillian L. Kotzmacher, 67, of route 6, Dowagiac, won \$10,000. She was assured of the amount upon gaining entry to the drawing.

Stephens is a meat cutter at Johnson's Country Mart at Hudson Lake, Ind., and tends bar part-time in the Town tavern in Galien.

Before going to the drawing he said he regularly buys four lottery tickets a week. The lucky one was purchased at the Mini mart in St. Joseph.

His winning number had actually qualified him for the weekly drawing a week ago, but he said the state lottery commission had asked him to wait a

week.

He and his wife, Ramona, have one son, Raymond, 6.

The \$200,000 winner in the drawing was Sheldon B. Teplitzky, 38, of Oak Park.

Teplitzky, who is married and the father of two children, said "I woke up in the middle of the night last night and told my wife, Elaine, that I knew beyond a shadow of a doubt that I had won. She said I was crazy but I told her I knew better."

His wife, who was at his side for the big moment, said "I will never disbelieve you as long as I live."

Other winners of \$50,000 each were: Virginia Getz, 51, of Lansing; La Vern R. Allshouse, 29, of Sand Creek; James E. Shannon, 23, of Plymouth; Carl S. Tyack, 47, of Romeo; Charles C. Hutchinson, of Dearborn Heights and Helen A. Gawlik, 51, of Detroit.

Winning \$10,000 in addition to



PAUL STEPHENS
Wins \$50,000

Mrs. Kotzmacher were Glen C. McNally, 22, of Kalamazoo; and William E. Hagan, 28, of Detroit.

The winning numbers in yesterday's drawing were 928-401. The second chance combination, which entitles holders to \$5,000, was 462-730.

Golf at Paw Paw Lake. Adv.

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

Israeli tanks and warplanes resumed their offensive inside Syria at dawn today after an overnight lull in ground fighting. Israeli and Syrian missile boats battled off the Syrian coast for the second night in succession.

Israel reported a quiet night also along the Suez Canal but said artillery duels between the Israeli and Egyptian forces there resumed at dawn.

Israel claimed Thursday that its tanks had crossed the Golan

Heights cease-fire line with Syria and moved six miles down the road to Damascus.

"Israeli forces in the Golan Heights took up their initiative of attack from yesterday," the first Israeli communique of the day said. "The Israeli air force this morning resumed its extensive support for the land force."

Israel said nothing about the dawn position of its armored force, resistance by the Syrians or how far the Israelis planned

to push toward the Syrian capital, which is 40 miles north of the 1967 cease-fire line.

Syrian communiques ignored the claims of Israeli advances, saying only that ground fighting resumed at the "front line" while its jet fighters and anti-aircraft batteries shot down six Israeli planes between 6:30 and 7:10 a.m.

Gen. Haim Herzog, the Israeli state radio's authoritative military commentator, said Thursday night that there remained

between the Israelis and Damascus two Syrian defense lines and a "bristling" military complex around Qatana, 16 miles southeast of the city.

As the fourth Arab-Israeli war went into its seventh day, Israel claimed that its missile boats sank two Syrian boats in a battle at the approaches to Tartus, on the Eyrin coast. The Israelis said all their boats returned safely.

Syria claimed that its boats sank three Israeli boats and its

air defenses brought down an Israeli helicopter.

At the United Nations, the Security Council resumed its Middle East debate Thursday night after Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim urged the deadlocked body to do something to end the fighting. Another council session was scheduled this afternoon, but neither the United States, supporting Israel, nor the Arabs' Soviet and Chinese backers were expected to give ground.

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Editorial Page

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Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

They'll Have To Do More Than Juggle The Bureaus

Up in Pontiac this week, Oakland County Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson sent eight secretaries to the county's Department of Social Services. They told some lies and came back with \$1,296.50 in welfare checks.

"This is living proof . . . that welfare abuses do exist," Patterson said. "Now let's see about reforming the system."

Also this week but closer to home, Concerned Landlords of Kalamazoo joined United Landlords of Berrien county in voting not to take new rentals from ADC clients.

A spokesman for the Kalamazoo landlords explained:

"Social Services sits back and laughs at us when we complain. We've got to stop some of this destruction and non-payment of rent."

Damage to houses and non-payment were the same reasons given by Berrien landlords when they announced their boycott of ADC clients in mid-September. About 80 per cent of the 4,000 ADC families in Berrien county receive housing allowances through the Berrien Department of Social Services.

In yesterday's edition of this newspaper, an article told how three fathers of ADC children were hauled into Berrien circuit court for being delinquent in support payments. It happens every week. But it didn't happen until four years ago when this newspaper highlighted the hundreds of thousands of dollars in uncollected arrearages, prompting State Sen. Charles Zollar of Benton Harbor to get special funds from the Legislature for a Berrien crackdown.

These situations—lying to get welfare, destructive ADC tenants, delinquent ADC fathers—are some of the reasons why Michigan's annual welfare bill is approaching a billion

and a-half dollar drain on the taxpayer.

But the biggest reason by far is Michigan's generous payment schedule, second highest in the nation. Prospective welfare clients continue to flock here.

Wesley Bowerman, Berrien director of Social Services, says his department is averaging two and a half applications daily from out-of-state families.

Because Berrien Social Services Board is one of only two counties that have refused to establish state-ordered "presumptive eligibility" (the other is Cass county), the out-of-state applicants don't get immediate checks. But ultimately many do get on the local rolls because they qualify under federal and state laws and regulations.

Why do they come here? Because Michigan pays the second highest welfare benefits in the nation—exceeded only by Alaska. And as Welfare Director Bowerman asks, "Who wants to go to Alaska?"

For a family of four, Michigan pays \$379 a month maximum; the highest Illinois payment is \$288; Indiana pays \$204 maximum; Arkansas \$114.

"They frankly tell us they're moving here for more money," Bowerman says.

Another development on the Michigan welfare front this week was a Wednesday dispatch from Lansing reporting that Gov. William Milliken may announce shortly a reorganization of state health and welfare agencies to eliminate duplication and overlapping services.

The governor and the Legislature are going to have to do more than that if Michigan is to survive the economic drain and social blight fostered by a welfare system run wild.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

SOCIETY NAMES GUEST SPEAKER
— 1 Year Ago —

Fortieth anniversary of the Berrien County Society for crippled children will be observed at the annual meeting, Tuesday Oct. 24 at the society headquarters, the Margaret B. Upton Center, 2015 Lakeview avenue, St. Joseph.

"The Impossible Dream—Service and Sacrifice" will be the topic of the speaker, D. Wayne Ront. He is a graduate of Bradley university, Peoria, Ill.

He is vice president of the Berrien County Council of Churches and is serving the United Church of Christ, Sawyer.

LADY GODIVA STRIKES AGAIN
— 10 Years Ago —

Berrien county sheriff's deputies searched county highways near Scottdale Thursday night for what could be a modern-day Lady Godiva. Deputies had received a report a nude woman was driving about in a light blue convertible.

A Bacon School road resident said the woman drove recklessly by her home. Deputies were unable to locate the car or the driver.

HOFFMAN AND FOLEY TO DEBATE HERE
— 29 Years Ago —

Hoffman vs. Foley! Ten rounds to a decision—and no holds barred! That's the lineup which the Public Affairs committee of the YWCA announced today.

Announcement of the debate was made today by Mrs. Michael Faber, chairman of the Y's Public Affairs committee. The rival candidates have agreed to a verbal debate and duel at the "Y" Sunday afternoon, Oct. 22, at the hour of 3 p.m.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

DOESN'T AGREE WITH MR. JONES
Editor,

This letter is concerned basically with the remarks made in the past several weeks by Mr. R. J. Jones, a teacher in the Saint Joseph school system.

This is a difficult letter to write in reply to Mr. Jones' comments. Not for the reason that there are not appropriate and logical arguments in reply to Mr. Jones' comments but for the simple reason that I do not think that he could understand them.

In reviewing his most recent letter I am appalled that he would even identify himself as a teacher. His use of sarcastic and snide remarks, blatant emotionalism, and the fact that he has reduced himself to the level of name calling all seems to indicate a lower level of intelligence than that for which I would have given him credit.

Mr. Jones, I am a teacher and a supporter of my local, state, and national associations. In your opinion this would appear to make me a "sheep." However, I have sufficient self confidence as a teacher and a supporter of my professional associations not to let your label bother me.

What concerns me most is that you seem to have labeled yourself a leader. I would find it extremely unfortunate if you, as a teacher, were . . . training the future leaders of this nation," based on your concept of logic.

Milen Gray
Jefferson Building
Benton Harbor

HOPES U.S. WILL NOT COMPROMISE
Editor,

As you state in your editorial it is certainly important that the United States not compromise principle in her dealings with respect to the Middle East. Let us hope that our government will abide by the principle of international legality and moral law to require that the Israeli nation restrain her citizens to the boundaries of the land formed as their homeland twenty five years ago.

Let us hope that the United States need for oil plays no part in our government's actions. The Arab blackmail you mention almost compares with the Jackson amendment blackmail to the U.S.-Russian trade agreement.

The boundaries of the Israeli nation founded on Trans-Jordan, principally, twenty five years ago had been predominantly Arab land for centuries. Lord Bertrand Russell many years ago stated that the essence of the Middle Eastern tragedy is found in the fact that a people were given land by people to whom it did not belong. Be that as it may, most of us rejoiced in the founding of a Jewish homeland in 1948.

The seizure of additional Arab land in 1967 is quite another proposition. The rape and desecration of previously unspoiled lands in an effort to populate to justify occupation is the "real tragedy" since the seven day war. Coastline areas and the Holy City itself which by mutual agreement of native Palestinian Jews, Moslems and Christians had remained virtually as it was in the times of Moses, Christ and Mohammed are being rapidly bulldozed into "motel, hotel, and apartment" cities by the Israeli "administrators."

The wrath of God as well as the wrath of the Arab nations may well continue to descend on the new nation until it returns to its ancient heritage of compassion, understanding, and love of education and intellectual pursuits and forsakes the militaristic trail being blazed by the little Pentagon tactics of a Moshe Dayan.

It is probably best to be philosophical about the future however, since while the Hebrew nations focuses its energies, talent and money in an investment in U.S. arms and continues its aggression as a form of defensive posture, the Arabs may be beating them at their own game. All that oil which the beneficence of Allah has seen fit to give all middle eastern countries except Israel, is being used to purchase the ultimate weapon.

With only one or two exceptions for over a decade already, some of the billions in oil revenues are being invested in the education of Arab students in the finest universities all over the world. In 1967 over 2,000 Arab students were studying in the United States alone. The number has multiplied rapidly in the ensuing years. While the American media concentrates on publicly about all the Cadillacs and Continentals the oil moneys buy, the Arabs in their ancient and infinite wisdom are putting their money where it counts in the education of the future leaders of their nations.

Mrs. Frank C. Thompson, Jr.
Paw Paw, Mich.

Ray Cromley

Obsolete Data Hurt Economists

WASHINGTON (NEA) — It is now clear that President Nixon's failure to deal more effectively with inflation has been due in considerable measure to reliance on obsolete, incomplete and misleading economic indicators. These have led administration economists into false assumptions on what the economy could handle and what should be done.

What was wrong? First, in this day of statistics, computers and data collection, we are not putting out the effort to gather the complete and accurate statistics needed to know what is happening in the economy. Early this year, for example, the administration did not know the unused industrial capacity of the economy, and evidently it was misjudged so badly that the President put into effect policies which overwhelmed that capacity — leading to the current round of hefty price rises as consumers competed for scarce goods and products.

Second, in this era when we are spending tens of billions on physical, social and political research, the Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon administrations have relied on such crude concepts as Gross National Product projections and over-all unemployment rates to produce pictures of what is happening in the economy and what is likely to happen in the near future and to suggest what government and private actions should be taken.

Government economists will resent the term crude. Today they use the most sophisticated mathematical equations, the mightiest computers and most esoteric theories. But with this sophistication the government economists by and large depend on data so generalized and so crude that no advanced mathematics can transform it into an accurate means of forecasting or translate it into a reliable guide as to what corrective actions should be taken.

The argument is that the same crude generalized data worked in the early 1950s. But in the past two decades the shape of the economy, the structure of the work force, the relative shares of agriculture, industry and the service industries have changed radically.

Today, for example, it may be much more meaningful to know the unemployment rate among married adults 25 and over than to know the overall unemployment figure.

It may be much more important for certain estimates to know the number of companies reporting slow deliveries of basic materials and products than to calculate the probable gross national product for the next quarter.

Why the government has continued to rely on obsolete methods is not clear. There have been able men, some in high places, within the government and in the private economic community who have used more sophisticated data and better techniques to come up with more accurate forecasts. There has been no scarcity of criticism of the system used, even by close friends of Mr. Nixon.

The current inflation was not due solely to mismanagement by this administration. President Nixon inherited it from Mr. Johnson and Mr. Kennedy. In considerable measure, too, the inflation has been due to rapid increases in worldwide demand and a growth of worldwide shortages over which Mr. Nixon and his advisers had no control. In part, it has also been due to political decisions.

Marianne Means

A Free-For-All Looms For '76

WASHINGTON — The 1976 Presidential contest may well be the damnest free-for-all from which to choose.

The steady increase for the last decade in the number of states holding primaries has been stimulated by a public desire to have a voice in the Presidential process and by a commercial desire to gain a share of the attention and revenue which a primary can generate.

A survey made by Bailey, Deardourff & Bowen for Presidential aspirant Charles Percy indicates that 60 per cent of the delegates to the 1976 Republican convention may come from primary states. Party organizations or legislatures in approximately ten states or territories are moving toward primary status. These include Nevada, Minnesota, Mississippi, Georgia, the Virgin Islands, and possibly several other states in the South.

The expansion of the primary system will mean a better opportunity to win for candidates who must rely on their own popular appeal rather than entrenched support from local organizations and special interests. It is a good deal for the lesser-known fellow with something to say, if he says it well on television and has the money to afford television in the first place.

And that brings up the rub in the multi-primary system. The nation has already witnessed how easily corruption can set in when a Presidential campaign deals in immense sums, collected in substantial chunks from powerful individuals who expect favors in return.

The current need is to reduce the financial pressure on Presidential candidates, not increase it. One hopes Congress will have legislated some form of public campaign financing reform by the time the 1976 primaries begin.

BENZ BOOSTS PRICES
NEW YORK (AP) — Mercedes-Benz of North America announced an approximately 8 per cent price boost for 1974 models Wednesday and said it was introducing two new cars in the upcoming year.

A Little Good News For Nation's Consumers

No matter how one looks at it, the six per cent drop in wholesale food prices in September is good news for consumers. This is so even though the jackpot question is as yet unanswered — the question whether this is a temporary phenomenon or the start of a welcome downward trend.

Optimism on that score is dampened by the erratic behavior of prices in recent times. From July to August, in a reflection of the lifting of the food

price squeeze, the wholesale price index soared 5.8 per cent, the biggest monthly gain in 27 years. Now we have wholesale food prices falling the most for any month in 25 years. This makes prediction difficult.

It is well to bear in mind that farm product prices remain at very high levels, 55.8 per cent above a year ago. And despite the September wholesale food price drop, the level stands at 16.6 per cent higher than a year ago.

Consumers are naturally less interested in such figures than in the direct question: Does the September wholesale food price decline mean that a corresponding drop in retail prices can be expected soon? It is significant that Chairman Herbert Stein of the President's Council of Economic Advisers warns against any such expectation. He will only go as far as to say that the wholesale drop will "contribute to a leveling out of retail prices in the future."

Consumers may ask, in light of that prediction, whatever happened to the law of supply and demand. It is functioning, but as Stein notes, store prices will not fully reflect the wholesale decline because retailers still smarting from the midsummer price freeze will seek to recover their losses.

When all these things are said, though, the September drop in wholesale food prices still rates a modest cheer. It may even be, as Stein claims, "a welcome sign that the worst of the big 1973 surge of inflation is behind us."

Insect Stings Aren't Funny

Anyone who has been stung by a wasp or hornet, or nipped by a fire ant, knows that such an experience is something to yelp about. It also is nothing to sneeze at. The Associated Press science writer, C.G. McDaniel, recently noted that insect stings cause more deaths than snake bites in the United States.

It was a wasp sting that prompted McDaniel's article. Mindful that his father had died of such a sting, he rushed to a hospital when his fingers tingled and his heart raced. Nothing serious came of it. He was told that sensitivity to stings is not an inherited trait. The fact remains that 40 to 50 Americans die of stings annually. Medical help should be sought if a strong reaction occurs.

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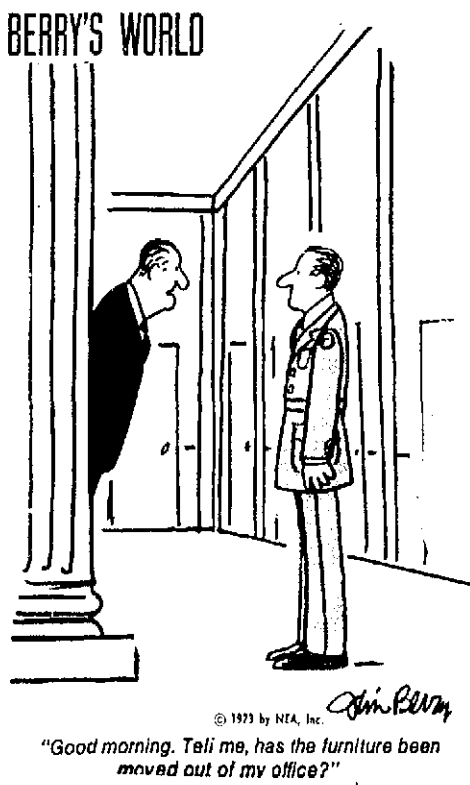
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Would You Repeat That, Please?

A Ralph Nader consumer protection group says the hearing aid industry exploits the hard of hearing. What was that?

A powerful laser beam can melt a glass rod so it can be drawn into a hair thin fiber almost a mile long.

Ben Franklin, once a London resident, had nothing good to say about the traditional British roast beef: "The English dinner of a joint of meat and a pudding, as it is called, or pot luck is bad luck in England."



Farm Bureau Lists Legislative Goals



GEORGE R. STOVER
Farm Bureau President

Stover Elected President Of Berrien Unit

BY ALAN AREND
Staff Writer
BERRIEN SPRINGS — Berrien county Farm Bureau members last night at their annual dinner meeting passed 14 resolutions and elected delegates to the state convention.

Among the resolutions was a call for repeal or amendment of the teacher tenure act.

Following the meeting the Farm Bureau board elected George R. Stover, 35, of Route 1, Berrien Springs as president for 1973-74. Stover, who farms 500 acres of fruit with his father and brother, replaces Hazen Harner, Jr., of Eau Claire, who chose not to seek re-election.

Approximately 200 Farm

Bureau members attended the dinner meeting at the Youth Memorial Building on the fairgrounds.

Walter Heritz, of Route 1, Benton Harbor, was re-elected vice president and Paul Bixby of Berrien Springs, third member of the executive committee. The new secretary-treasurer is Mrs. Tim (Rebecca) Rosenboom of Berrien Springs, who replaces the late Mrs. Maxine Cripe.

Board members re-elected for another three-year term were Howard Bishop of Coloma, and Heritz. John Chestnut of Three Oaks was also elected to the board, replacing Howard Sherrill of Three Oaks. David Rick of Baroda was re-elected as the young farmer representative on the board and Mrs. Alice Burandt of St. Joseph, was re-elected chairman of the Farm Bureau women.

Resolutions passed by members of the Farm Bureau were:

Farm Bureau work to lower the minimum wage base from \$2,500 to \$1,000.

Seek a total repeal of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA).

Support the sale of farm products in all world markets whenever it will advance the best interest and security of the United States.

Opposed the transfer of land zoning authority from the local to state level.

Favor passage of House Bill 4244, which provides that farmland owners could apply to come under the act and that the value of farmland would be based on USDA soil classifications.

That the present teacher tenure act should be either repealed or amended to require that all tenure positions be subject to a re-evaluation of performance after a reasonable period of time, not to exceed each five years of service, with the opportunity to discharge undesirable or incompetent teachers.

Urged every citizen to take a part in local government and reaffirmed their position on maintaining a strong local government.

Continue in its program to support local police agencies and keep them independent.

Seek to repeal the law denying children under the age of 16 the right to work on farms.

Urged all members to be public relations people for agriculture in their everyday relations with non-farmers.

Reaffirmed their stand to encourage voluntary recital of the pledge to the flag and prayer reading in public schools.

Continued to urge that a realistic re-evaluation be conducted of the total welfare program.

Believed that the piece-rate system is fair and should be continued as a form of payment for agricultural workers.

Favor legislation which would provide for farm workers to decide questions of representation or rejection of a union by secret ballot procedures and strongly oppose all illegal secondary boycotts of farm products and produce processors.

Fourteen delegates were elected to attend the annual Farm Bureau state convention. They Verna Bartz, Don Weekworth, George Wuske, Walter Heritz, Alice Burandt, Hazen Harner, Jr., Howard Bishop, Wesley Prillwitz, James Jelinek, Daver Timmreck, Lucinda Dunham, Vi Prillwitz, Robert Morlock and Irma Collier.



NEW STAFFERS: The Benton Harbor mayor's office and city commission has two new staff members — Mrs. Donna Cooke (left) and Miss Donna O'Donohue who are seated beside Mayor Charles F. Joseph. Commissioners at press conference announce-

ing hirings are standing, from left: F. Joseph Flaugh, Mrs. Bonita Branscomb, Edward Merrill, Edmund Eaman and Carl Brown. (Staff photo)

No Hearing On Fairplain Petition Until Next Year

An administrative hearing on the validity of the Fairplain incorporation petition will not be held until after the first of next year, according to Barbara Grissom, secretary to the Michigan Boundary commission in Lansing.

She said the Fairplain petition, with some 1,900 signatures, was received by the commission this week.

Before the hearing in early 1974, the petition will be checked to determine that at least five per cent of the population of Benton and St. Joseph townships have signed and that those who signed are both qualified electors and property owners. Boundary accuracy is also checked.

The commission will rule if the petition is sufficient and the boundaries of the area proposed for incorporation are accurate. If everything is in order, the commission is bound by law to hold a public hearing within 220 days of receipt of the petition.

That date would be May 16, she said.

After studying a transcript of the hearing, the commission will approve or turn down incorporation.

If incorporation is approved, an order will be issued. A referendum on incorporation can be instituted within 45 days of issuance of the order, if a petition is filed with signatures of five per cent of the registered voters from the area to be incorporated.

If no referendum petition is received, or if a referendum favors incorporation, the Boundary commission will order an election for a City of Fairplain charter commission.

Smoke Fills Bar

Benton Harbor firemen reported the Park Mor tavern, 456 South Fair avenue, was filled with smoke caused by a shorted light switch shortly after 3 a.m. today. Damage was only to the light switch.

HARTFORD

Parade Will Launch Firehouse Dedication

HARTFORD — A parade is scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday to launch dedication and open house ceremonies for Hartford's new city-township fire station.

The parade will begin on Railroad street near Smith's Lumber company and travel down Main street and end at the new fire station on East Main street, where dedication ceremonies will be held, beginning at 2 p.m.

Fire fighting equipment from Hartford and surrounding communities, the Hartford high school marching band and city and township government officials will participate in the parade.

An open house for the new \$65,000 fire hall will follow the dedication ceremonies with coffee and donuts being served.

Parents To Attend Classes At Milton

Back-to-school night for parents will be held at Milton Junior High school, 1520 Niles avenue, St. Joseph, starting 7:30 p. m. Monday, Principal Patrick Ryan announced today.

Parents are asked to report to the auditorium where they will be briefed on the program of the evening. Each parent will follow their daughter or son's schedule and visit all classes during the course of the evening, Ryan said.

Addicts To Tell Stories On WHFB Drug Series

Actual drug addicts will be heard, incoherent, on a new drug abuse series to be broadcast on WHFB's "Communique" the week of Oct. 15. Two persons who recently underwent counseling and treatment at the Berrien County Drug Treatment center will be heard telling their experiences with bar-

biturates and other drugs. One personal account is from a Vietnam veteran and the other from a young woman who nearly ruined her life. The series was prepared by WHFB News Director Gil Brooks and will be aired Monday through Friday at 6:30 p.m. on WHFB-AM and at 8:45 p.m. on WHFB-FM.

Private Sources Paying Salaries BH Mayor Hires Two Assistants

By JIM SHANAHAN
BH City Editor

Benton Harbor Mayor Charles F. Joseph Thursday announced the hiring of two administrative assistants for the mayor's office and city commission.

The staffers are Donna O'Donohue, 24, regional legislative coordinator and special assistant to the mayor and commission; Donna Cooke, 22, administrative and research assistant.

Miss O'Donohue's salary is \$10,000 and Miss Cooke's \$8,000. The mayor said the positions are funded by private sources which he was "not at liberty" to disclose at this time.

The job descriptions state that both positions are not to conflict with the responsibilities of the city manager and department heads.

The mayor termed the new appointees "highly capable."

Miss O'Donohue will research and report on legislative matters at all levels of government that are of concern to Benton Harbor. She also will schedule meetings and appointments for the mayor and meetings for commissioners.

Joseph said original intentions were for Miss O'Don-

ohue's position to encompass that of ombudsman, a cutter of red tape between the public and bureaucracy. But that will be delayed pending an evaluation of present duties.

She has a B.A. degree in political science from Michigan State and is president of the Berrien county MSU Alumni club which is tolerant enough to permit her to currently study for a master's degree in public

administration at Notre Dame.

Miss O'Donohue last year was an unsuccessful Democratic candidate for the MSU board of trustees. She lives at Harbert but will move inside the city to comply with the residency requirement.

Mrs. Cooke's job is to establish better communications between the mayor's office, commission and voluntary citizens' groups and the public.

She also will work with the news media and compile various reports for the mayor and commission.

She is a native of Benton Harbor. She has worked with the mayor as a volunteer secretary-assistant and was chairman of the 1972 mayor's inaugural ball. Mrs. Cooke has attended Lake Michigan college and beauty school in Chicago. She is a licensed cosmetologist.

River Yields Hair But No Body

The Berrien sheriff's department marine unit dragged the St. Joseph river Thursday after strands of hair found on a fish hook were confirmed as human.

No body was found in the dragging near the mouth of river.

The search was conducted after Thomas B. Loudermilk, 2816 South Lake Shore drive, St. Joseph, reported to city police that he found blond hair fibers on his hook while fishing near Iloran Redi-Mix, 308 Water street.

The state police crime lab identified the hair as human.

Sheriff's Lt. William Beilman reported the "river was as clean as a whistle." He indicated the body may have washed into the lake.

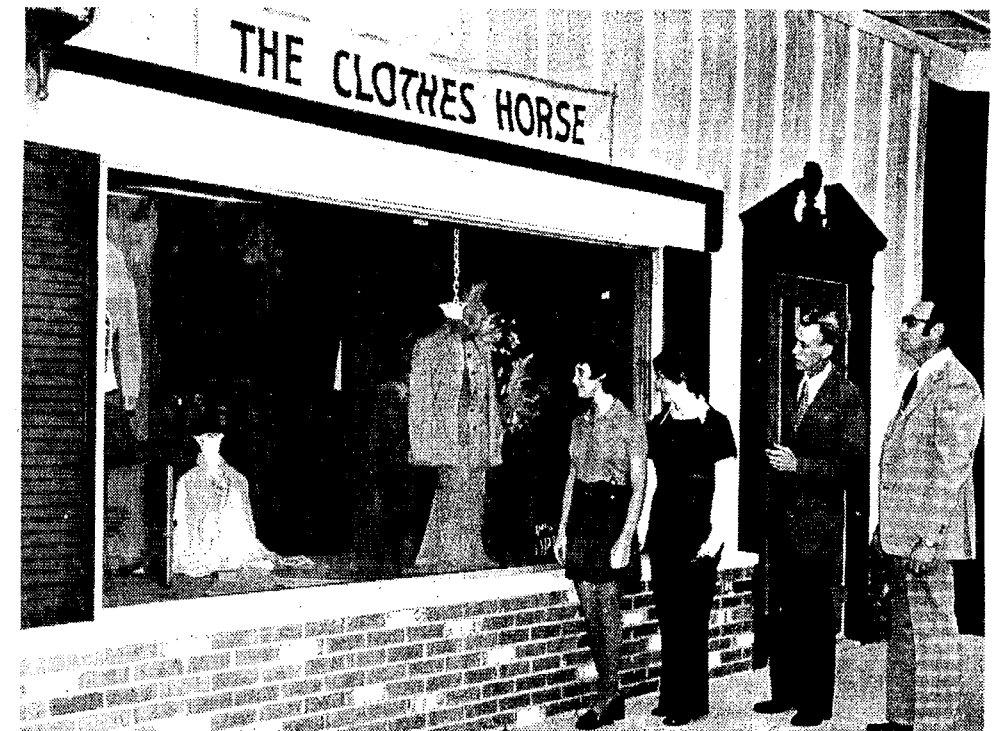
Lobbying Called Way Of Life

Twin City Area Chamber of Commerce members were warned Thursday they should learn to "play the legislative ball game" or they'll get clobbered at every turn.

Jack Rose, manager of Michigan Chain Stores council, said lobbying is a way of life in the legislature and organizations that don't handle it effectively get the short end of legislation.

Gordon Traye, administrative assistant for legislation to the president of the Greater Detroit Chamber of Commerce said it's "capital punishment" when the government taxes business, then goes into competition with private business. He referred to a proposal for the state to operate a laundry for all state institutions.

Rose and Traye addressed some 40 chamber members at St. Joseph Holiday Inn



OPENS IN STEVENSVILLE: The Clothes Horse, a women's apparel store, recently opened in the Village Square in Stevensville, offering wide variety of women's clothing. Store is owned by Mrs. Phyllis Hendrix (far left) who says it's her first business

venture. Shown with her (from left) are Pat Clark, clerk, and representatives of Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce Tom McGrath, president and James Dlouhy, vice president. (Staff photo)

Benton Nixes Roti Rezoning Plans

The Benton township planning commission last night denied a request by a Benton Harbor automobile dealer for a zoning change so he could relocate in the township.

Planners unanimously denied a request by Bruno Roti, owner of Roti Motors Inc. at 257 West Main street, to rezone property he hoped to purchase at the southwest corner of Napier avenue and Union street. The zoning change would have been from residential to commercial.

Planner George Cuervo said drainage at the proposed site could be a problem, and noted that nothing has been done on some other commercial zoning changes the commission has granted along Napier.

The other changes were for Klum Olds-Cadillac dealership and a professional building.

Questioned this morning, Roti said he had not heard of the

commission's decision, and when informed what it was he replied "Isn't that great?"

Roti said he still wants to relocate so he can expand his facilities.

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In another article which appears on page 18, it is reported that the Benton township planning commission voted to update the basic plan of 1965 and to create two new zoning classifications. The changes affect an area near Lake Michigan college and the Pipestone Industrial District

UCF Sabbath Days This Weekend

United Community Fund Sabbath Days will be observed this weekend in churches throughout the Twin Cities area.

The UCF Sabbath Committee is headed by the Rev. Arnold Bolin, executive director of the Berrien County Council of Churches. Other members are Rabbi Wayne Franklin, of Temple B'nai Shalom, and Father Leroy White, pastor of St. John's Catholic Church.

Rev. Bolin's committee has distributed special UCF posters with a religious theme to all area churches and has provided suggested sermon material. Rev. Bolin said that his committee's

goal is to have all members of the clergy make note of the UCF drive in their sermons this Saturday and Sunday.

Another UCF event is scheduled for this weekend as members of the Twin City Four Wheelers hold the third annual UCF Thrill Rides from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday at the Sand O-Rama site near Covert. For a nominal donation to the United Fund, the Four Wheelers will offer rides through the Lake Michigan sand dunes.

The Thrill Rides location is about 15 miles north of St. Joseph. It is reached by driving north on U.S. 31 to County Road 456. From there, turn right across U.S. 31 and go about 1/2 mile to 82nd Street.



NEARING COMPLETION: Pleasant View Estates mobile home park at Phoenix road interchange with I-196, South Haven township, is nearing completion. Since photo taken lots have been seeded, streets

blacktopped, and 29 of 105 lots completed for occupancy. Park is serviced by city water and sanitary sewer from South Haven. (Aerial photo by Adolph Hahn)

Applicants Being Sought For Berrien Superintendent's Job

BERRIEN SPRINGS — The Berrien county intermediate school district board has launched a search for a new superintendent to replace resigning Doyle Barkmeier.

Those meeting minimum requirements of a master's degree and five years of teaching or school administration should submit applications by Oct. 31 to Barkmeier, board secretary, at the intermediate headquarters, 711 St. Joseph avenue, Berrien Springs.

Barkmeier, superintendent 15 years, is stepping down for

health reasons by Dec. 28. The salary range is \$22,000-\$27,000 annually, depending on experience and qualifications.

The intermediate board hopes to interview candidates in late November, Barkmeier reported.

The superintendent is the district's chief executive officer and serves as coordinator of services to local school districts and liaison between local districts and the Michigan Department of Education.

City Offices At Stake

Three Seek Coloma Posts



ROBERT WOOLEY
First attempt



FRED MUNCHOW
Changes mind



GLADYS VAN DERVEER
Seeking new term

COLOMA — A Coloma resident seeking public office for the first time and two incumbent Coloma city office holders have filed petitions of candidacy for the Nov. 6 Coloma city election.

Seeking one of three seats on the commission for a four-year term is Robert Wooley, 21, of 230 West St. Joseph street, manager and part owner of Wooley's Standard Service, Center and Church streets. It is his first venture.

Incumbents filing for re-election include City Commissioner Fred Munchow and City Treasurer Gladys Van Derveer.

Munchow is also seeking a four-year term on the commission. Three seats for four years are to be filled during the election.

Munchow, 48, who said in August he would not run, said he was filing after being urged to seek re-election by city residents wanting an experienced commissioner to return to the commission. He has been on the commission since 1965.

Munchow has served as chairman of the Paw Paw Lake Sewage Planning commission overseeing the construction and development of the \$12.9 million sewage system serving the cities and townships of Coloma and Watervliet.

Mrs. Van Derveer, 65, of 539 Jackson court, is seeking re-election to the office she has held for 19 years.

The deadline for filing nominating petitions for city offices is 4 p.m., Friday, Oct. 12, according to Mrs. Patricia Beezley, city clerk.

Sisters Are Reunited In Florida

Van Buren Women Meet After 25 Years

COLOMA — For a Coloma woman and a former Covert woman now living in Florida, the last eight days have been momentous ones.

The two, who grew up about 10 miles apart in separate Van Buren county communities, learned they are sisters.

For one, the knowledge came as a total surprise because she was unaware she had a sister at all. For the other, it ended a search for a younger sister she knew she had, but couldn't identify.

The sisters were reunited Wednesday night in Florida for the first time since being separated as babies by adoption over 25 years ago.

The women are Mrs. Barbara (Daniel) Coon, 26, of Keigley street, Coloma, and Mrs. Linda Morris, 27, of Lakeland Fla., formerly of Covert.

News of the relationship reached the women Oct. 3. It came with information that Mrs. Morris is to undergo surgery for treatment of cancer in a Lakeland hospital Oct. 15.

The operation apparently triggered the revelation. Mrs. Oscar Parsons, Forest Beach road, Watervliet, adopted sister of Mrs. Morris, knew that Mrs. Morris had been searching for her sister for years. As early as the seventh grade in school, Mrs. Morris had written a report to a teacher that she wanted to find her younger sister.

With help of the Van Buren juvenile court, Mrs. Parsons acquired permission to trace the whereabouts of Mrs. Coon.

The sisters had been placed for adoption through the court at six and 19 months old.

Without advance knowledge Mrs. Coon went to visit Mrs. Parsons at Mrs. Parsons request on Oct. 3, and after being informed, the sisters talked by phone for the first time.

"It was unbelievable," said Mrs. Coon.

"It was exciting," said Mrs. Morris.

Almost as unreal as the contact, was the closeness of the women as they grew up unaware of their relationship.

Mrs. Coon was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. William Paulus, of Bangor, and was raised there, graduating from Bangor high school in 1965.

Mrs. Morris was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Charlton Westcott of Covert, about 10 miles from Bangor, and grew up there. She graduated from Covert high school in 1964.

Both were patients of the

same dentist. Mrs. Morris had been in Bangor several times during her years of searching.

Mrs. Coon's father-in-law, Kenneth Coon, knew Linda as she grew up without knowing. Kenneth was a state agricultural inspector and made yearly inspections of the blueberries raised on the Westcott farm.

Mrs. Morris said she had been looking for her sister after being told about her when old enough to understand the adoption situation. "I knew I had a sister, but I didn't know who she was."

Mrs. Morris moved to Lakeland with the Westcotts last year. Her hopes of finding her sister, however, persisted.

Mrs. Morris said her sister and her sister's husband and their son, David, arrived about 7:30.

"We talked until 2."

The sisters, with one mystery solved, have one other remaining. Their name, before adoption they have been told was Quick. They do not know, however, what became of their parents. On that point, court records remain closed.



READY FOR TRIP: Mrs. Barbara Coon, Keigley street, Coloma, packs suitcases for a trip to Lakeland, Fla., to meet a sister she never knew she had until last week. Mrs. Coon's sister, Linda Morris, is to undergo cancer operation Monday, Oct. 15. (Cliff Stevens photo)

Watervliet Officials To Seek Re-Election

WATERVLIET — Two incumbent Watervliet city officials filed petitions for re-election in the Nov. 6 city election.

Petitions have been filed by Clerk Fred G. Johnson and William Rogers, city treasurer.

No petitions have been filed for the three city commission seats to be decided in the election. Each of the terms are for four years.

The terms of Richard Fox, Arvid Frazier and William Lashbaugh expire this year, according to Clerk Johnson.

Deadline for filing petitions are 5 p.m., Wednesday Oct. 17, according to Johnson.

Johnson, 52, is seeking re-election to a two-year term as city clerk, a post he has held since May 1966. Comptroller at the Watervliet Paper company, Johnson and his wife, Lois reside at 325 Bluff View.

Rogers, 67, is seeking election to his first full two-year term as treasurer. He was appointed to the position nearly two years ago to fill a vacancy.

Rogers is a retired supervisor from the Watervliet Paper Mill. He and his wife, Rachel, reside at 207 East Parsons avenue.

Also filing petitions for one of two constable positions is in-

cumbent constable Harvey Harper Jr., 432 Harper, Watervliet.

Other offices to be decided in the November election include city assessor.



FRED G. JOHNSON
Seeks new term



WILLIAM ROGERS
Seeks full term

High Court Watching

By BRANDON BROWN
Staff Writer

The highest court in the state will be watching to see if one man in Berrien county can help speed the flow of cases through three levels of local courts.

Judge Chester J. Byrns, presiding judge of Berrien circuit court, said Thursday the Michigan Supreme Court will watch to see how new Berrien county court administrator William H. Evans, Jr., 40, performs.

The state supreme court has been promoting the relatively new concept of court administrators to circuit judges and Evans is believed the first in Michigan for three levels of courts—circuit, probate and district.

To the best of Berrien circuit judges' knowledge, the 7 or 8 others in the state work in circuit or district courts.

Evans has an office in the second floor of the courthouse, St. Joseph. His secretary is Mrs. Carl (Marlene) Cooper, wife of the

new assistant Benton Harbor city attorney and experienced in computers.

One of Evans' first big jobs, Judge Byrns said, will be to check how an impending county government computer system can best expedite the flow of cases.

He'll also be checking adequacy of staffs in the three court systems and looking for ways to cut any duplication.

He'll also be visiting other circuits with administrators "frankly ... to bleed ideas from them," Judge Byrns said.

The administrator's role also is to lift some of the administrative burden off judges.

"I figure anywhere from 15 to 25 per cent of a judge's time is what we call administrative routine," he said.

Evans, here just four days as of Thursday, said he's found persons he's contacted to be open-minded, interested and enthusiastic.

Immunization Urged By Health Officials

Health officials are calling October the "immunization action month" and are urging mothers of preschoolers to make sure youngsters are immunized against childhood diseases.

Mothers should check preschooler health records at home, or through their own physician or Berrien county health department clinics, according to Mrs. Vivian Evans, immunization educator in the Berrien department's nursing

division. Children should be immunized against diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus, polio, measles, and rubella she said. Mothers with children needing shots should contact their own physician or county health department clinics.

Child immunization clinics are scheduled by the county department 9 to 11:30 a.m., Oct. 1a at Buchanan community hos-

pital; Oct. 16 at Berrien General hospital, Berrien Center; Oct. 17 at Chikaming Medical center at Harbert; Oct. 25 at the preventive medicine center at 520 East Main, Niles; and 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Friday at the preventive medicine center at 987 Agard, Benton Harbor.

Mothers should bring child immunization records to the clinics, Mrs. Evans said. The clinic asks mothers for donations for immunizations.

NATIONAL EPISCOPAL COUNCIL

Elect Byrns To New Term

Chester J. Byrns of St. Joseph, presiding judge of Berrien circuit court, has been re-elected to a six-year term on the national executive council of the Episcopal Church of the United States.

He was chosen during a two-week triennial general convention ending this month at Louisville, Ky.

The general convention is the supreme governing body of the

3.5-million member national church and overseas dioceses. Between its every-three-year general convention, the church is governed by the executive council convention. The council elected at the general numbers 41 priests, bishops and laymen.

Judge Byrns is a member of the council of advice to the president of the house of deputies, and the canons com-

mittee and state-of-the-church committee.

During convention the church chose a new presiding bishop, broadened its marriage and remarriage canons, voted a \$13.6 million annual budget and continued work on revised liturgies.

Judge Byrns was a member of the special committee on marriage and remarriage laws of the church.



JUDGE CHESTER J. BYRNS
Re-elected